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IN RE APPLICATION OF: KYLE M. HANSON ET AL.

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ELECTROCHEMICALLY PROCESSING A  
MICROELECTRONIC WORKPIECE

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**STATEMENT OF RELATED APPLICATIONS**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Applicant advises that:

Application no. 11/414,641 is pending (under a final Office Action) before Examiner Zulmariam Mendez in Art Unit 1795. Aspects of 11/414,641 may be relevant to the examination of the present application.

In a 08/05/2008 Final Office Action in application no. 11/414,641, claims were rejected as being unpatentable over Reid et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,126,798, in view of

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Woodruff et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,228,232, and further in view of Tsou et al., U.S.

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